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Memorial Day

Next Saturday we, as a community and as a nation will cease from our daily cares, and strew with flowers the graves of the departed Veterans of the Civil war. Each succeeding year finds more mounds to decorate and fewer of the Boys who wore the blue to participate in the Memorial Day exercises.

"All that the consecrated wealth and taste of a nation can add to their adornment is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let us then, at the appointed time gather around their sacred remains and garland the mounds above them with the choicest flowers of springtime. Let us raise over them the dear old flag they loved so well."

Arrangements for the day are as follows:

At 9:00 a band concert will be given in the band stand and at the same time the parade will form to go to the cemetery.

At the Opera House at 1:30 p. m. the following program will be given:

"Tramp Tramp"
High School Chorus
Invocation Reverend Spiers
"To Thee Oh Country"
High School Chorus
"He Knew Lincoln"
Alex Wilson
"Tenting To-Night"
High School Chorus

Address Captain Painter
Star Spangled Banner.

Those bringing flowers are requested to leave same at the Fletcher furniture store.

Thirty automobiles are wanted to take the Veterans and the Sons of Veterans to the cemetery. All those who desire to donate the use of their cars are requested to notify any member of the transportation committee. They are: Willis Wolfe, Joe Helm, W. H. Sourbeer, Homer Graves.

Another hail storm has been reported in the south part of the county the first of the week.

Petitions were circulated in Meade last week for the purpose of getting additional help on the deep well at Minneola. The drill is now down more than three thousand feet and experts say it will be necessary to go only a little deeper, perhaps less than three hundred feet, until oil or gas is reached. The well was started by Bucklin people, and financed to a depth of 2000 feet by Bucklin capital. Since then other localities have become interested and have given financial assistance. Whatever is discovered will be a help to the entire southwest. Since the well is as deep as it is, it seems that it will be worth the effort to go deeper and determine what lies beneath the Kansas plains. The experts say that conditions are very favorable for the finding of either oil or gas in that locality. Further developments are awaited with no little interest.

Kansas Wheat Crop

Topeka, May 21—A crop report issued by Secretary Mohler of the state board of agriculture this afternoon estimates the probable wheat crop this year 136,000,000 bushels.

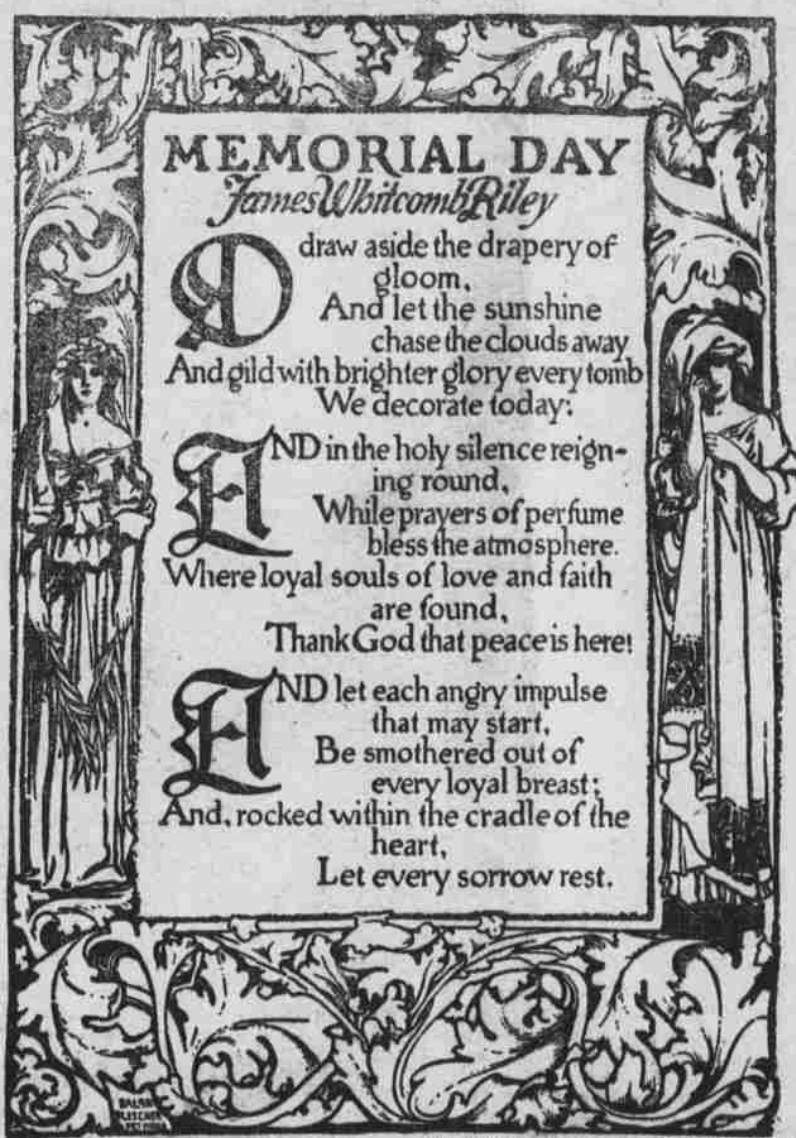
Should this indicated yield be realized the crop would be second only to the state's record output of 180,000,000 in 1914.

Including the 1914 crop, the annual yield of wheat in Kansas for the last ten years is 88,479,000 bushels.

Class Day Play

The Class Day play, The Merchant of Venice Up-to-date was presented at the Opera House on Monday evening. The players were greeted by a large and appreciative audience and have been highly complimented upon their theatrical ability. The Commencement exercises on Tuesday evening closed the high school work for the class of 1915, in which there were thirteen members.

We desire to introduce to The News readers, "Pickles" our new correspondent from Sunny Dell, who makes a first appearance in this issue.



City Schools Close

The Grades of the city schools closed last Friday, and Commencement exercises on Tuesday evening of this week closed the high school. In all, the past term has been one of the most successful ones in the school's history. By the beginning of another term the new building will be completed and there will be sufficient room to accommodate the increase in attendance which is certain to come.

Following is the list of pupils neither absent nor tardy for the year:

Grades I and II
Ethel Burnett Margaret Martin
Roy Fruch Roy Whitehead
Florence Sinnett

Halsey Hulbert, who lives a distance in the country, missed but one-half day.

Mrs. Mollie Backe, teacher.

Grades V and VI
Winona McGuire David Wilson
Letha Burnett Wendell Brown
Dot Kieth and Don Rosenberry were absent but one-half day.

Lucille Love, Evan Hoon, and Reva Whitehead were absent one day.

Mrs. Abbie Bodle, teacher.

Notice

To The Public:
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned doing business as partners under the firm name of "The Meade Motor Company" did on the 15th day of March 1915, sell and convey all their right, title, and interest in said business and partnership name unto H. E. Smiley.

C. K. Sourbeer
W. H. Sourbeer

Automobile Accident

Dick Brown threatens to outclass Barney Oldfield, at doing automobile stunts, and no doubt will if he does many more like the following: With Amon Krisle, Mr. Brown was working on the telephone line east of the city. They had driven out in the Buick automobile which is used by the Telephone Co. to haul supplies etc. in their line work. The car had been left just above the hill east of the bridge, Mr. Brown was working from the east toward where the car had been left, and Mr. Krisle from that point west toward the city. When Mr. Brown finished his part of the line, he got in the car and was to overtake Mr. Krisle. The hill just above the bridge is quite steep and the approach is sandy. As the car neared the bridge the sand caused it to skid to the left. The car is an old one and there is considerable "play" in the steering wheel, and of this the driver was not aware, so as he swung the car back to the middle of the road he turned it too far and it plunged off the opposite side of the bridge, and into the creek bed below, a depth of fourteen feet. The car turned completely over and Mr. Brown was caught beneath it, but fortunately, he came out of the wreck with only a bruised shoulder and a badly scratched face, but not so with the car, it suffered the loss of two front wheels, a broken axle, a twisted steering gear, a shattered windshield, and several other minor injuries. The soft creek bed is responsible for Mr. Brown's injuries not being more serious, for which he, as well as his friends, is truly thankful.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias held its annual session at Wichita last week and elected officers for the ensuing year, Frank S. Sullivan of Meade was elected Grand Vice Chancellor, which is the second highest office in the Grand Domain. There were four candidates, one from Kansas City, one from Coffeyville and one from Tribune, but Meade won out, as it always does. This is a signal honor, and one that is seldom bestowed upon a town no larger than Meade. Mr. Sullivan is considered one of the best ritualists in the state and his promotion comes as a reward of merit. The 1916 convention will be held at Manhattan, at which time and place Mr. Sullivan will no doubt be promoted to the highest office in the gift of Kansas Pythians.

Married

Mr. Byron Bocook and Miss Essie McGuire were united in marriage Wednesday evening at six o'clock at the home of the bride's parents in this city, Rev. S. M. Hunt, of the M. E. Church, officiating. The bridal party entered the parlor to the sweet strains of a Wedding March, played by Grace McGuire, a sister of the bride, and stood beneath an arch of pink and white roses. The bride wore a dress of white silk, and the groom the conventional black. Only the near relatives of the contracting parties were present. Immediately after the ceremony a sumptuous dinner was served.

Both these young people are well and favorably known to our people. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McGuire of this city, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bocook who reside north of the city. Both have a host of friends who join The News in extending congratulations.

Contract Awarded

As advertised, the contract for the erection of the new school building was let last Saturday, the Stanley-Nackey Construction Co., of Hutchinson, being the successful bidders. The excavation work will begin at an early date.

The contract calls for \$14,967, and includes only the building, the plumbing and heating and the furnishing being extra items. With reference to these it must be remembered that the furnace in the old building will be used and that the only extra expense will be the plumbing in the new building and an additional boiler to the present furnace. Relative to the furniture, since the grades are to occupy the new building it will only be necessary to transfer the seats and other furniture, this will leave only the seats in the general assembly room to be provided, and this can be arranged for in some satisfactory manner.

Hays Kansas, May 25th—The summer term of the Fort Hays Kansas Normal School opens on Monday May 31 and closes on July 31. From the number of inquiries received, Registrar A. F. Deiker announces that this will be the largest enrollment which the only state college in this half of Kansas ever had. There will be 119 courses offered in all departments of Normal School and college work. Special courses are given for those who wish to prepare for teaching and for those who wish to work toward the degree. The new state laws have changed some of the requirements for teacher's certificates and life diplomas and the Fort Hays normal will offer courses this summer which meet these new conditions.

Another rain Sunday night.

FUEL PROBLEM SOLVED

By the Royal Blue Gas Producer

Don't buy a smoky oil smelling coal oil stove or a gasoline stove that will explode and burn your house but buy one of our gas producers and save from fifty to seventy-five per cent of your fuel and light bill.

See Demonstration at our home just north of Baptist Church.

W. H. Dalgarn & Son, Agents for Meade County.

WAR IS RAGING

Insure your wheat NOW. We have The St. Paul, (Old Line) and Old Reliable Sterling, oldest Mutual in Kansas and are on the firing line for a share of your business.

See L. F. Schuhmacher or Max Kelley.

HAIL STORMS

near Meade, Kansas

Estimate of damage by HAIL to wheat south of Meade serious.

A policy in the HARTFORD will protect you.

GEO. WEHRLE, Agent.

At News Office

Meade, Kansas.